History -

Sonoma Valley Woman's Club -

1901 - 1934

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PREAMBLE

In the year 1932 it was deemed advisable to bring together in concise form a brief history of the life and activities of the Sonoma Valley Womans' Club, it being a little over thirty years since it's founding. Accordingly a committee consisting of Mesdames Emma Hotz, Pauline Hays, Celia G. Murphy and Carrie A. Burlingame made notes from the six large volumes of records, kept by the various recording Secretaries, and Carrie Burlingame volunteered to compile these into a readable history. It is self-evident that only the major events may be enlarged upon, although the record will be run through, year by year , and those serving in elective office named. These women will be called by their given names, the prefix of Mrs. Omitted as causing too much printing. A vast majority of the Club women from the very beginning have been married and middle aged women, with the result that at the time of this writing, only eleven charter members names remain on the books. A small number dropped out or resigned, but the vast majority remained active and in good standing to the day of their deaths. It is obviously impossible, in order to keep this history brief, to make mention of all the splendid programmes offered to the Club at it's Social meetings. These meetings never failed to have a large attendance and featured a splendid variety of subjects, with many different people of note appearing. The Club has never spent money in securing talent. The Club Birthday, in September has for many years been observed by a Party, Reception or Jinks in the evening with many invited guests, including gentlemen,attending. The membership starting with sixty-three names, has ranged from that number to nearly one hundred. In late years, through the fact that so many of the civic improvements which claimed activity from the Club at it's inception have been completed, such as Good Sanitation, A Library, Good Streets, Good Schools and Adequate

Fire Protection, toward all of which the Club has both spent money and effort, it has ultimately developed that the Club lives more largely for the benefit and pleasure of it's own members, and those who belong and take an active interest in it's life, feel that the Club is well worth while.

Club History

On Saturday, September 21st, 1901, the following eleven women, Mesdames Martha Stearns, Lulu Emparan, Hannah Appleton, Louise Weber, Kate Granice, Blanche Weems, Arvilla McHarvey, Susie Enos, Lucy Walliser, Marie Clewe, and Miss Adelheidt Reinsch, met at the home of Mrs. Clewe to discuss the forming of a Woman's Club for Sonoma Valley. As the result, postal cards were mailed to all the women in the valley, and on October 5th, a meeting was held in Union Hall, and the organization perfected. Mrs. Martha Stearns was elected President, 1st vice-president Kate Hill, 2nd vice -president Arvilla McHarvey, Secretary Alice Humphries, Corresponding secretary Mattie Goodman, Treasurer Marie Clewe. Directors, Blanche Weems, Kate Granice and Susie Enos. The following women signed the Charter membership list: Mesdames Hannah Appleton, M. P. Akers, Miss B. Aguillon, Mesdames Amelia Bates, V. Bulotti, L. Barbarin, Miss Theo Bates, Mesdames Marie Clewe, Mattie Campbell, Sophia Calderwood, O. W. Craig, J. M. Cheney, F. J. Cooper, Misses Doris Clewe, Minnie Cooke, Mesdames Dorothy Duhring, Leanora Duhring, I. Dorman, Susie Enos, Lulu Emparan, Belle Green, Kate Granice, Mattie Goodman, Elsie Gottenberg, Emma Hotz, Misses Celia Granice, Julia Granice, Alice Humphries, Mesdames Natalia V. Haraszthy, Nonie Harris, Kate Hill, Clara Johnson, A. Keiser, Arvilla McHarvey, Pauline McMullin, A. Merriam, Louisa McElroy, Olive J. McKinnon, Georgia Munfrey, Miss Kate McDonald, Mesdames T. C. Oleveiri, C. Ohm, Miss Anna Pemberton, Mesdames Mary Poulson, Rose Pinelli, Quartaroli, Miss Adelheidt Reinsch, Mrs. E. Roberts, Miss Louisa Rufus, Mesdames Martha Stearns, R. C. Shoults, Rosie Sartori, Mary Shaw, Blanche Weems, B. Wagner, H. Weber, M. Whiting, Louisa Walliser, Eva Weed, Misses Rue Tate, Martha Wooster. The Club to be called Sonoma Valley Woman's Club with dues at $1.00 per year in advance. The purposes of the Club to be social and civic improvement, with an emphasis placed upon the latter, particularly in

in regard to the Plaza. Committees on Sanitation, Streets, Music, Literary, Library, Parks and Sociability were at once appointed. The meetings were held in Odd Fellows Hall on the first and third Saturdays of each month. The Sonoma Plaza being of paramount interest, a fund was established at once with a cash donation of $25.00 from Mrs. Phoebe Hearst of Berkeley. The first entertainment given was a "Doll Show". On January 1st, 1902, the treasurer reported $320.00 in the bank, all funds included. The Executive Board, consisting of all elected officers, met the first Friday of each month and disposed of routine business, elected members, and brought suggestions to the meetings. Committee Chairman had to appear before the Executive Board and secure endorsement of all plans.

The planting of shade trees along the streets was carried forward rapidly, in many cases property owners co-operating heartily. Miss Minnie Cooke and Mrs. Sophia Calderwood were leaders in this work. Mrs. Lulu Emparan was bending all efforts on the Plaza. She was ordered to "secure stakes" and lay out more paths, also widen old ones. All this after asking permission from the City Trustees.

In July 1902 the first big Fourth of July Ball was undertaken. Mrs. Pauline McMullin chairman. The piano in Union Hall was so poor that the Club decided to buy a piano, which they did for $125.00 and it was locked and left in Union Hall for several years, often being rented to others needing it. "Cardinal" was chosen as the Club color. In July the Club joined the State and District Federation. In September the first annual election was held with re-election of all officers except Miss Minnie Cooke as 1st vice-president. It was decided to hold all Executive meetings at the Clewe home. The membership had increased to nearly 100. More attractive quarters to meet in being desired, the large double parlors in S. Shocken's historic building were engaged and occupied during October. This was an interesting spo;

as the rooms used were part of General Vallejo's old barracks.

A quotation here will show the difficulties under which these early members worked- "A request was sent to the City trustees to prevent cows from roaming in the streets and Plaza." also, "Mrs A. Bates reported that the Trustees refused to help with the Plaza."

1903

In 1903 a movement was set on foot in the state by the History and Landmarks League to preserve our Landmarks. Sonoma Mission was selected as one of these and our Club raised $184.00 at the Fourth of July Ball, (Mrs. Emma Hotz chairman) toward this cause. The Mission was subsequently purchased by public subscription, from Solomon Schocken for about $5000.00 and presented to the State.

Agitation for a much needed free Library in Sonoma was begun.

A banner to carry in the N. S. G. W. Parade, bearing the Club Motto "Onward" was purchased by subscriptions from Club members.

Our noticeable improvement was the purchase of ten good benches to place in the Plaza at a cost of $3.75 each.

The first "Reciprocity Luncheon" was given in October, the occassion being a visit from Mrs. A. E. Osborne, District vice-president. Ladies came from Napa, Petaluma and Calistoga, to the number of thirty-three. The meal was held in large rooms below the Club Parlor, belonging to Mr. Shocken. The place cards held small photos of the Mission and the affair was a huge success.

About this date the first actual steps were taken toward a Free Library for Sonoma. A room was donated in the I. O. O. F. building and there was much enthusiasm over the matter.

The Plaza Committee solicited work on the Plaza and seven loads of fertilizer were donated.

1904

In 1904 the annual meeting was changed to March. At the annual

meeting the following were elected. President, Mrs. Kate Hill, 1st vice-president, M. Stearns, 2nd vice-president, Miss M. Wooster, recording secretary, Alice Wagnon, Corresponding Secretary, Alice Humphries, treasurer, Marie Clewe, Directors, Blanche Weems, Emma Hotz, Mattie Campbell. Seven sections were headed as follows: Current Topics, Martha Stearns; Educational, Emma Hotz; History and Landmarks, Lulu Emparan; Library, Alice Humphries; Forrestry, Minnie Cooke; Plaza, Alice Wagnon; and Music, Miss Maude Frazer.

The money towards placing a fountain, drinking trough for horses and dogs, and also taps for humans, was raised by an entertainment, $62.85 being realized. The fountain costing $230.00 was in time placed at the head of Broadway in 1905 and stood there until removed in 1932, when the use of horses had become so infrequent as to make the trough obsolete. As this was the first visible improvement to be made in the Plaza, it was the occassion of much rejoicing to the Club women.

Some type of entertainment, usually a dance was given each month for either the Plaza or Library. A Choral Society was formed by the Music Section and a Shakespear Society by Martha Stearns, head of the Educational Section. An evening reception was held on the Club Birthday, September 21st, and in October another most enjoyable "Reciprocity Luncheon" was given. So many Club women from different sections came that it was necessary to secure Union Hall to set the tables in. The use of the hall was donated. A large number of Sonoma's Club women went to a "Reciprocity Luncheon" in Vallejo in October.

In the fall, after much ploughing and fertilizing, grass was planted at the edges of the Plaza. Bermuda grass was chosen, after much correspondence with the University of California and much discussion.

A Baby and Doll Show and Masquerade Ball in December cleared the sum of $100.00.

1905

Early in the year 1905, the meeting day was changed from Saturday to Friday. The Club also voted to pay railroad fare of our delegate to District and State Federation Executive meetings. At election of officers, Mrs. Hill was re-elected president, all the other officers also re-elected except Corresponding Secretary Miss Kate McDonald. The same sections were retained, with chairmen appointed by the president. Literary, Miss Mabel Lowell; Library, Miss Alice Humphries; Educational, Mrs. Nolan; Forestry, Miss Minnie Cooke; Plaza, Mrs. Aurelia Bates; Music, Miss Maude Frazer; History and Landmark, Miss C. Granice. An amendment was made to the constitution, making June, July and August vacation months. A teaspoon shower resulted in a nucleus of silver plate for social affairs.

The piano belonging to the Club not being longer needed in Union Hall , was finally rented to the proprietor of Buena Vista Castle for $2.00 per month.

Another entertainment for the fountain realized $63.00 making $140.00 on hand.

The Club was again entertained at a Reciprocity Luncheon by the Vallejo and Napa Clubs.

In November ammendment was made that section chairmen should be elected in the future.

An entertainment on 50-50% basis was given in October by a violinist Mr. Chapin. $26.00 was cleared and it was given to the Library section for the purchase of juvenile books.

Picture postals of the new Fountain to the number of 1000 were ordered printed for $5.50 and sold 2 for 5¢ to help raise funds to finish paying for the fountain.

A Social for the benefit of the Library was given in November, each person to come in costume representing a character in a book, also

to donate a book. A prize was offered to the person guessing the largest number of characters. Forty books were donated.

New Year's Ball on December 31st, 1905 great social success. $19.00 cleared and placed in a permanent Plaza fund.

On February 22nd, 1906 the cornerstone of the Sonoma's New City Hall was laid. The members of the Club were invited by the City to send representatives to sit on the speakers platform. Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Clewe and Mrs. Stofen were chosen for this honor. The Club undertook to serve the banquet for this affair which was under the management of the Masonic Lodge. It was served in a building belonging to Charles Dal Poggeto on Napa Street. $34.60 was cleared and half of it put into the Forestry fund.

The receipts of the Ball given by a group of young men on February 22nd ammounting to $22.50 was donated to the Plaza Fund of the Club.

On February 9th at the State Federation meeting in San Jose, Mrs. Kate Hill was elected President of the State Federation. There was much rejoicing over this honor in the Club and a reception was tendered Mrs. Hill at the Club Parlors on March 18th. The Glen Ellen Woman's Club joined in this celebration.

1906

At the election of officers in March, the following were seated: President, Mrs. Marie Clewe; 1st vice-president, Anna Poppe; 2nd vice-president, Dora Stofen; recording secretary, Alice Wagnon, corresponding secretary, Mrs. Nolan, Assistant recording secretary , Minnie Watters; treasurer, Hannah Appleton; Directors, Emma Hotz, Hattie Breitenbach and Celia Grandce Murphy. The section leaders, Plaza, Amelia Bates; Library, Alice Humphries; Educational, Leanora Duhring; Forrestry, Miss Minnie Cooke; History and Landmarks, Miss M. Wooster; Music, Miss Reinsch; Literary, Martha Stearns; Civics, Belle Green.

A set of pictures representing "Early Sonoma Days" was presented by Major Sherman to Sonoma through the Woman's Club.

Two luncheons served by the Civic Section to the N. S. G. W. and University Farm Board, netted the sum of $52.77.

On April 18th the terrible earthquake and fire in San Francisco sent scores of refugees in Sonoma Valley and the Club took charge of collecting and distributing clothing, also established an employement bureau. The earthquake damage to local buildings made it necessary to find new quarters for the Library. Mrs. Calderwood, a member of the Club, offered to erect a suitable building on her property on Napa Street West, to rent to the Club for $6.00 per month. This offer was taken up. The funds to pay the rent was contributed monthly by public ppirited citizens, and collected by a Club member. In the new quarters the Library began to grow greatly in popularity. There not being funds to pay a Librarian, the library was kept open evenings by members volunteering their services. In May the first "Tea Tax" was inaugurated, 10¢ per plate was charged at social meetings to raise funds to buy dishes.

A complete nurse's outfit was solicited and donated to the San Francisco Relief Committee.

The pictures presented by Major Sherman were hung in the new Library. It was voted to have only the month of July for vacation. The Club piano came up for consideration. The piano was finally donated to the Grammar school, but the School Trustees very generously volunteered to pay $40.00 for the instrument. This money was placed in the Library fund.

A dish shower was given on the Club birthday.

The condition of the Old Mission, now the property of the State, was regarded as "deplorable" and it was decided to ask the Native Sons to try to secure funds for it's preservation.

A banquet was served for the Native Sons' Initiation, the proceeds to go into the Plaza fund, as was the money raised at the New Year's Ball, $28.50.

Some very good plates, cups and saucers were purchased for the Club. Four dozen of each.

1907

Early in 1907 the Club began active agitation for the preservation of the Mission. Our assemblyman was written to and Mr. Duhring called on influencial persons to present a bill at Sacramento.

In February a Social for the Library at the Club Parlors netted $8.80 also 37 books.

Officers for 1907 were elected March 1st. President, Mrs. Annie Poppe; 1st vice-president, Dora Stofen; 2nd vice-president, Amelia Bates; recording secretary, Alice Wagnon; corresponding secretary, Mamie Watters; treasurer, Miss Meta Stofen; Directors, Hattie Breitenbach, Clara J. Lowell, Marie Chase. Chairman of Sections, Civic, Mattie Campbell; Education, Martha Stearns; History and Landmarks, Martha Wooster; Literary, Leanora Duhring; Library, Sophia Calderwood; Music, Marie Clewe; Plaza, Emma Hotz; Forrestry, Minnie Cooke; Program, Kate Hill. The first printed program to send to members was inaugurated this year. Alice Wagnon, Recording Secretary for six years, was presented with a silver berry set in appreciation of her services.

The first "Clean -up Day" was inaugurated by the Club. Printed dodgers were distributed to householders urging co-operation.

Decoration Day was also celebrated through the efforts of the Club, with the help of the Grammar School, speakers at Union Hall and a grand parade to the Cemetery. The condition of the Cemetery and confusion of plots came in for attention and the City Trustees were petitioned to try to better matters. A note states that "business between the City Trustees and the Club will be in writing in the future".

The Club gave a Ball on July Fourth. On that day a Natural Rock Monument, honoring the Bear Flag Party and erected by the Club, was unveiled by Kate Hill. The proceeds of the Ball were $88.15 cleared for the Plaza fund.

In September no meeting was held on account of a quarantine for smallpox scare.

A Legacy of $100.00 was received from the estate of Mrs. C. F. Leiding, the only money ever willed to the Club in it's history. This money was put into the Plaza fund.

A Ball held in Union Hall December 31st cleared $9.35. It was put in the Tree fund.

1908

At the election in 1908, the President, 1st and 2nd vice-presidents were re-elected. Recording secretary also. For corresponding secretary, Miss Doris Clewe; treasurer, Mrs. Ella Woodworth; Directors, Clara Lowell, Marie Chase and Lulu Emparan. In the Sections, Civics, M Mattie Campbell; Education, Martha Stearns; Forrestry, Minnie Cooke; Library, Sophia Calderwood; Literary, Ida Waterman; Music, Marie Clewe; History and Landmarks, Emma Hotz; Program, Kate Hill.

The Literary section was very active under the management of Mrs. Stearns. A shower for the Library realized $6.50 and 26 books.

The City Trustees were petitioned to arrange for a dumping ground to take the place of the one immediately at the entrance to the Cemetery.

This year the regular monthly meetings of the Executive Board, held just before the first regular meeting, were abandoned to be resorted to only on call. The election of members was also changed, the name to come before a Committee of five, one month to elapse before the report be turned in. The idea of city support for the Library began to take definite form. A petition to secure our quarter of the tax payers names, empowering the trustees to levy the Library tax was

prepared andcirculated by the Club women with marked success. The matter of securing a Carnegie Library Building was also started.

The Native Sons held a big Admission Day Celebration on September 9th, the Club co-operating in many ways. In the parade, "Sonoma, Old and New" was featured by a covered wagon with pioneer men and women and children representing the "Old" and for the "New", Mr. Robert P. Hill drove his Auto, then one of the few in the Valley. The Club officers rode with him carrying the Club Banner. A large committee of ladies waited on the guests at the lunch in the Plaza, while the Club Parlors were decorated and the Club women kept open house all day. Their location in an historic building making their headquarters especially attractive to strangers. Before the reception held on the Club birthday a ruling was made not to issue invitations to ladies who had been members of the Club and dropped out, nor to persons of long residence in the valley who refused to become members. This was considered only fair to the Club. It was voted to allow delegates to conventions $2.00 per day for expenses, as well as railroad fare. The Constitution and By Laws were amended in many respects at this time and copies ordered printed for distribution to the members.

The Petaluma Club entertained with a Reciprocity luncheon in November. Twenty ladies from Sonoma attended. An offer to hold a percentage sale day at the Racket Store, run by Mr. Hanger, was accepted and $8.15 realized. A day was also held at Mr. Hotz's store with the proceeds at $12.50. Both sums were for the general fund. An open house for "gentlemen callers" was advertized in the papers for New Years' Day 1909. No record shows how many gallants availed themselves of this offered hospitality.

1909

The idea of securing a sewer system for the town was advocated

and the Club endorsed the movement enthusiastically.

A Ball given on February 22nd netted $17.50. A group of very young folks, about seven and eight years old, the children of Club members, among whom was Harold Hotz, Joe McMullin and Zolita Bates, formed a dramatic club called the "Western Star Amateur Theatrical Company. They gave a show to buy books for the Library in an unoccupied building belonging to Mr. Hotz. $8.00 was realized and accepted by the Club with much appreciation.

Election of Officers, March 1909, placed Mrs. Dora Stofen as President; 1st vice-president, Emma Hotz; 2nd vice-president, Amelia Bates; recording secretary, Alice Wagnon; corresponding secretary, Miss Doris Clewe; treasurer Ella Woodworth; Chairman of Sections, Civics, Mattie Campbell; Plaza, Lulu Emparan; Education, Martha Stearns; Library, Sophia Calderwood; Music, Marie Clewe; Forrestry, Miss Minnie Cooke; History and Landmarks, Carrie Burlingame.

For the third time the Club paid it's quota to the State Federation for the Club House Loan Fund of 10¢ per capita, totaling $28.00 to date. It was finally carried in 1909 to raise the dues to $2.00 per year, payable semi annually in advance. This was done largely to take care of extra per capita levies asked by the District and State Federations.

A dance in April realized $30.00 for the Plaza. "Sonoma Day" for work in the Plaza was planned for June. Teams were solicited from many farmers and a large plot which had been previously blasted out in front of the City Hall, was filled with good soil, the business men of the town joining heartily in the pick and shovel work. The Club women served a bounteous luncheon under the trees to all workers at noon. The City Trustees estimated that the work as done had saved the city $700.00. This was the foundation work for the permanent lawn

at the head of Broadway. In June the Club made an entry in the Santa Rosa Rose Festival consisting of Mr. Hill's auto decorated in red with artificial poincettas and the Club Banner with streamers of ribbon held out by six children who walked. The President, Mrs. Stofen, and the committee, Carrie Burlingame and Pauline McMullin rode with Mr. Hill.

The large pool and fountain in front of the City Hall was built, costing $125.00. There were over $400.00 in the Plaza fund at this time. Fourth of July Ball netted $30.00 for the Plaza. The Education Section, under Mrs. Stearns, was having a splendid attendance once a week, reading Evolution.

The delapidated condition of the Mission was noticed and it was decided to raise funds by popular subscription to try to arrest it's decay, the State still refusing to appropriate any money for it's repair or restoration. Mrs. Wagnon, Mrs. Perle Hunter, Mrs. Marie Clewe and Mrs. Carrie Burlingame traveled around town and valley with the subscription lists, to which all gave generously. The Native Sons of Santa Rosa also sent $25.00. Nearly $700.00 was raised, and the front wall of the Mission was rebuilt, while siding was placed the whole length of the cloister to protect it from the rains. In the fall an El Camino marker bell was donated by the California History and Landmark League, and was placed near the front of the Mission with elaborate exercises under the leadership of the San Francisco District Chairman of History and Landmarks, Carrie A. Burlingame.

An amendment to the Constitution causing election to be done by written ballot was made in November. This year the City levied it's first tax for support of the Library and the running of this institution went into the hands of a Library Committee appointed by the City Trustees. All books and furniture in use at the Club Library were presented to the City. Miss Meta Stofen was secured as the first

paid Librarian.

1910

During the first ten years the following names had been listed on the membership roll

~~At the beginning of the Club year the following 100 ladies were members;~~ Mesdames Hannah Appleton, E. T. Allen, Florence Adler, Miss B. Aguillon, Mesdames Sarah Baines, Amelia Bates, Joe C. Bates, J. Bateman, Maude Bose, Hattie Breitenbach, Annie Breitenbach, Carrie A. Burlingame, Irma Burmeister, Susie Batchelor, Miss Ella Bethune, Mesdames Sophia Calderwood, Mattie Campbell, Marie Chase, Tammy Cheney, Amelia Cuicci, Marie Clewe, Florence T. Cutter, Florence M. Cutter, Harriet Clewe, Florence Casson, Misses Doris Clewe, Minnie Cooke, Janet Cooper, Miss Casson, Mesdames Marie Dal Pogetto, Kate Donahue, Rose Dresel, Hannah Dobbel, Lenora Duhring, Miss Mana Drew, Mesdames Lulu Emparan, Misses Amy Engler, Mamie Eglund, Mesdames Elsie Gottenberg, Belle Green, Anita Gundlach, Miss Mattie Goodman, Mesdames Dena Hall, Kate Hill, Emma Hotz, Perle Hunter, Clara Johnson, C. Koenig, B. Keogh, Lillian Keyes, A. Landsborough, Dr. Frances Leix, May Lewis, Clara Lowell, M. Marte, Pauline McMullin, Emma Michellssen, Anita Murray, Mary Murphy, Louisa McElroy, Misses Kate McDonald, Margaret Moore, Florence Murphy, Edna McElroy, Mesdames Mary Poulson, L. Petersen, Rose Pinelli, Annie Poppe, Mrs. Painter, Miss Anna Pemberton, Mesdames Amelia Quartaroli, Agnes Ryland, Mary Richards, Miss A. Reinsch, Mesdames Mary Shaw, Etta M. Shaw, Mabel Simmons, Martha Stevens, Dora Stofen, Miss Meta Stofen, Mesdames Anita Thomson, Dorothy Von Hacht, O. Von Geldern, Misses Ellen Trueblood, Birdie Thomas, Mesdames Blanche Wagner, Alice Wagnon, Emma Watt, Mamie Watters, Bertha Wicker, Ella Woodworth, Whiting, Misses, Ida Waterman, Alicia Winkle, Martha Wooster, Louise Weber. The officers for 1910; President Dora Stofen; 1st vice-president, Emma Hotz; 2nd vice-president, Amelia Bates; treasurer, Ella Woodworth, recording secretary, Alice Wagnon, corres-

ponding secretary, Florence T. Cutter, Chairmen of sections: Education, Martha Stearns;Plaza, Lulu Emparan; Forrestry, Minnie Cooke; History and Landmarks, Carrie Burlingame; Civics, Mattie Campbell, Music, Leanora Duhring. The Board of Directors had been dispensed with, past presidents, with the elected officers forming the Executive Board. Mrs. Hill and Meta Stofen were elected again as program committee.

The big undertaking for this year was a "Carnival of Nations" to be held in the Plaza on July 1,2,3 and 4th for the benefit of the Plaza. A large platform was built next to the City Hall, south, and the south west corner of the Plaza was enclosed with wire fence so an admission might be collected. A tall pole with sunburst of electric lights lit the entire area. There was a Band Concert each evening with grand parade of all Nations. The first night Mrs. Hannah Appleton presented a vaudeville show, featuring numbers from each Nation. On Sunday the 3rd, a sacred concert was held in the Old Mission and on the 4th there was a grand street parade, and Ball in the evening. Souvenir buttons were sold for 10¢ each. Almost 1000 were disposed of previous to the event as advertising propoganda. Stationery of an advertising character was printed and sold to merchants at a slight profit also to advertise the event. Eleven booths were featured. The Club minutes do not state who had the head of each nor their helpers but the actual Chairman are known to the compiler of this record as well as many of their assistants. In some cases, notably the Indian Booth, over thirty persons were interested, only a few of whom were Club members. $10.00 was allowed to the head of a booth from the general fund to build their booth. Some chairmen gave a small affair prior to the event to raise funds for their booths to procure goods to sell. Amelia Bates had the American Booth. Ice cream and pie were sold. Pauline McMullin, Clara Johnson, Elsie Gottenberg,

Emma Hotz and Carrie Burlingame assisted her. The Dutch Booth, built to represent a windmill was in charge of Mabel Simmons. Here novelties and ice cream were sold. Emma Watt and a large number of young women assisted. The English Booth was in Mrs. Bateman's hands. Tea and novelties were sold. The German Booth sold coffee and cake and sandwiches. It was built to represent an old German Castle and Garden Cafe. Mrs. Leanora Duhring, Mrs. Clewe, Meta Stofen and Doris Clewe were some of those who ran this booth. The Gypsy display was a fortune telling tent. Mrs R.J. Keogh was chief gypsy and a clever card reader. Mrs. Rose Pinelli and Amelia Cuicci had the Italian Booth and dispensed several tasty Italian dishes. The French Booth served punch and sold candy. Hattie Breitenbach and Zoe Bates had this in charge. The Japanese Booth was a bower of cherry blossoms and pretty parasols. Tea and novelties were sold - Mesdames Bertha Wicker, Marie Chase, Emma Michellsen and others in charge. The Indians had an encampment and gave shows inside an enclosure. War dances, etc. being offered. Mattie Goodman was the one club member in this group. Very gorgeous costumes were designed and they made a wonderful showing in all the parades. The Negro, or Plantation Booth served a fried chicken dinner two different days- all serving being in "black face". Perle Hunter was chairman. The Spanish Booth sold tamales, coffee and soft drinks, Mrs. Emparan had it in charge - Anita Thomson, Birdie Thomas and several others assisting. The sum realized by each was as follows: American $70.30, Dutch $73.39, English $81.55, German $126.37 Gypsy $22.95, Italian $90.00, French $74.55, Japanese $35.0 0, Indian $40.00, Plantation $105.15, Spanish $123.56, Ball, Buttons and donations $248.10. Emma Hotz, Pauline McMullen and Carrie Burlingame had charge of the parade and ball on July 4th. Door receipts to the carival inclosure were $269.40. Total cleared at the affair was about $1203.00, costs were estimated at about $250.00. This sum was placed in the Plaza fund. There was great rejoicing in the club at the suc-

cess of this affair.

The first money spent from the new Plaza fund was $63.30 for ten new benches. Some of these benches are still in use in the plaza after more than twenty years. A fountain was planned for the north side of the Plaza.

The Education Section began agitation for a new Grammar School, and for manual training in the school. Dirt being excavated at the Castex Building on Napa St. was hauled to the Plaza to fill low spots. The New Years Ball was given up out of respect to the President, Mrs. Stofen, whose husband passed away on Dec. 26th.

1911

In Jan. 1911 the first word was spoken of building a Club House for ourselves.

A Committee went before the City Trustees with a list of Spanish names for our streets and urged their adoption - with no results. During this year - at the opening of the social meeting members were supposed to answer to roll call by a quotation from some famous author, previously chosen.

Tree planting along the streets was still going on during the winter. Club members were requested to write to members of the State Legislature to secure money for the restoration of the Mission - 15 members sent letters. A Philanthropic Section was started during the winter - Mrs. Lenora Duhring taking charge of it. $37.75 was on hand and food and clothing had been distributed.

A Benefit for the Plaza was given on four evenings at the Don Theatre - the Club received 30% gross receipts. $23.85 was realized.

At the anual meeting in Marchin 1911 - just ten years after the founding of the Club, the different funds stood as follows : Plaza, $1087.51 - Mission, $106.16 - Forrestry, $1.55 - Gen. Fund, $83.49 -

Election Mar. 1911 placed the following ladies in office: Pres., Emma Hotz - 1st Vice Pres., Leanora Duhring - 2nd Vice Pres.,Perle

Hunter - Rec'd Secty., Alice Wagnon - Cor. Secty., Florence Thompson Cutter - Treasurer, Ella Woodworth - Chairmen of Sections as follows: Civics, Marie Clewe - Education, Martha Stearns - Forestry, Minnie Cook - Hist. and Landmarks, Carrie Burlingame - Music, Mrs. Bateman - Philanthropy, Dora Stofen - Plaza, Lulu Emparan.

Some of the money from the Carnival of Nations was expended for the ornate fountain on the north side of the Plaza. $240.00 was the bid by the architect, Mr. Shearer. The unsightly dumping grounds at the entrance to the cemetary came under the ban of the Civic Section - and the Club allowed funds to pay for having it cleaned up entirely.

Mrs. Stearns reported that negotiations for a Carnegie library had been successful - and that the building was an assured fact. As the allowance for the building in accordance with our tax value did not quite come up to what the building proposed would cost, the Club decided to hold a celebration on July 4th to raise needed funds. Cafeteria lunch was served in the Plaza, a ball in the evening and tags sold. In all over $450.00 was raised and turned over to the City Trustees.

$200.00 was appropriated toward filling the grass plots on the north side of the Plaza.

This being the Club's tenth birthday, Union Hall was hired and a reception was given to the public. Dancing was enjoyed and ice cream, cake and punch served generously.

In December the lot on First Street East where the Club House now stands, was purchased at a cost of $450.00 from Mrs. Katharine Poppe, a pioneer redident. $50.00 was paid on the lot, the balance was to be paid as fast as possible over a three year period. At this time there was lengthy discussion as to incorporating the Club, or how it was best to hold and administer property. In the end, five trustees elected for stated times have served as custodians for the property with evident success.

The Ball on New Year's night 1912 cleared $86.00.

1912

The officers for the year beginning March 1912 were the following: President, Amelia Bates; 1st vice-president, Perle Hunter; 2nd vice-president, Mattie Campbell; corresponding secretary, Alice Wagnon; recording secretary, Meta Stofen; treasurer, Ella Woodworth; Chairmen of sections, Plaza, Lulu Emparan; Forrestry, Minnie Cooke; Civics, Emma Hotz; History and Landmarks, Martha Wooster; Philanthropy, Clara Lowell; Education, Martha Stearns; Music, Mrs. Bateman. The Club paid a special tax to assist the State in holding it's Biennial, total $51.25.

The Club approved the inauguration of a "Mothers' Day" on the first Sunday in May, the clergy of Sonoma to be called on and asked to observe it.

The Club also boosted with it's full concerted strength to secure bonds for the much needed new Sonoma Grammar School.

A Fourth of July Ball realized $30.00.

The big event of this year was held on September 6, 7, & 9 and called the Grand California Festival. The chief feature of this event was a loan exhibit of relics in the Old Mission. A large and very valuable collection was assembled and Mr. George Baron, curator of Golden Gate Park Museum gave his valuable services for these days. Jack London loaned his large collection of South Sea Curios. Meals typical of different nations were served in the Plaza. A beautiful flower show was put on in the City Hall, and a fine entertainment, "Yosemite Legends" produced by Carrie Burlingame given one night at Union Hall with dancing following. A new type of dancing called "Ragging" had become popular but the conservatives of the Club frowned upon it and sighs with "No Ragging" were ordered posted in the hall. This style of dancing originated from the syncopated negro music, much in vogue and taken up even in foreign countries as "Americanese." The gross receipts from this

Festival were $773.78, net $320.17. The heavy expenses being largely due to much hauling, night watchmen and other unusual outlay. This was the nucleus of a Club House fund and it is noted that Hon. Herbert Slater sent a donation of $10.00 to add to it.

A Masquerade Ball on Hallowe'en cleared $34.75.

At a special meeting called on November 20th, the first Board of Trustees, to hold the Club House property in trust, was elected. They were Mesdames Leanora Duhring, Marie Clewe, Annie Poppe, Ella Woodworth and Mattie Campbell. One month later the lot was fully paid for and the first taxes on the property paid.

The first Card Party ever given by the Club was in December of this year. $11.25 was realized. This was considered such a success that it was decided to give four more parties during the winter. These were also held in the Club Parlors (Mr. Schocken's Parlors) $24.50, $11.25, $15.50 were the sums realized.

1913

Officers for the year 1913 were as follows; President, Carrie A. Burlingame; vice-president, Perle Hunter (amendment to the Constitution had eliminated the office of 2nd vice-president); treasurer, Ella Woodworth; recording secretary, Alice Wagnon; corresponding secretary, Hannah Appleton; Section leaders were, Education and History and Landmarks combined, Martha Stearns; music, Mrs. Bateman; Civics, Amelia Bates; Public Welfare, Margaret More. Trustees elected at special meeting, two to serve two years, three to serve three years.

One scheme which realized $62.75 for the Club House fund was proposed and carried out by Mrs. Appleton. She represented the year and gave $5.00. She in turn solicited $1.00 from twelve women who represented months. Each month solicited 50¢ from four women as weeks, and they in turn solicited 25¢ from seven, as days.

A big affair was again held on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th of July to raise funds for the Club House. It was called "Valley of the Moon

* Fiesta." There were cafeteria, ice cream stand and Merry-go-round in the Plaza. Coronation exercises and dancing the first evening and a Grand Ball on the Fourth. $222.00 was cleared.

A request came from the City Trustees that a Committee of Club women be appointed to meet with them and devise some plan whereby "our Plaza may be entirely improved and beautified before 1915" the year of the Panama Pacific Exposition. This request was granted.

1914

Card Parties were again carried on during the winter. A Ball was given February 23rd and $43.00 was cleared.

At the election in 1914, the following ladies were in office; President, Carrie Burlingame; re-elected vice-president, Leanora Duhring; treasurer, Ella Woodworth; recording secretary, Meta Stofen; corresponding secretary, Hannah Appleton; Chairmen of sections, Civics, Amelia Bates; Education, Miss Margaret More. It was noticed that Alice Wagnon had served the Club as recording secretary for 12 years.

The special order of business for the year was, "how to raise money to build the Club House."

On June 14, the Native Sons unveiled the fine Bear Flag monument and the Club co-operated in many ways. Several members rented their spare rooms to visitors, turning the money over to the Club. Others who owned autos ran "jitneys", taking folks to the historic spots of interest for a small charge. A cafeteria lunch was served in the City Hall on Saturday and Sunday. The aim of the Club was to have $1000.00 on hand before starting to build. The cash on hand at this date was $622.58. A garden party at the Home of Marie Chase and Emma Michelssen added $21.50 to the fund in May. The amount cleared on June 14 was $78.00; $16.50 of this came from room rent. A garden party was given in Mrs. Wicker's grounds the last of July which real-

* Carrie Burlingame, as President, was chosen to be Queen by the Ex Board, and reigned over the Festivities, July 2nd & 3rd 14th

ized $60.06.

A handsome phaeton was presented to the Club by E. T. Allen, his wife, deceased, being a former Club member. This vehicle was finally sold for $25.00. to Hannah Appleton. Charter Club member

The Club assisted at a program given to raise funds to send the winner of an Agriculture Contest in the High School to Washington, D.C. $36.61 was the sum donated. Harold Hotz won the trip.

Curb and gutter on the Club lot was ordered by the City and put in.

The Club almost as a whole, centered their efforts upon Belgian Relief work, also donating $10.00.

A little over $50.00 was realized on Card Paries during the year. An extra tax of 10¢ per capita, to assist S. F. District C. F. W. C.
1915 entertain the State Federation was paid-$6.10. The New Years Ball 1915, cleared $25.00. The Club also took up the sale of Red Cross stamps at the holidays. $22.50 was realized. Card Parties were taken up again after January 1st. A later report on Belgian Relief shows $51.50 raised by the Club. Our dollar a month was sent to the Travelers Aid Society during the year of our Big World's Fair, 1915.

Election of officers in March 1915 reaulted as follows; President, Dora Stofen; vice-president, Emma Watt; recording secretary, Agnes Rowell; corresponding secretary, Hannah Appleton; treasurer, Ella Woodworth; Civic Section, Mattie Campbell; Education, Mildred Burchard; Trustees, Dora Stofen, Amelia Bates, Clara Lowell, L. Duhring and M. Clewe.

A landscaped plan of the Plaza was made by a student from U. C. and the City Trustees and Womans' Club decided to work by this plan.

Rev. E. R. Brown, on the program in June gave a witty talk on clocks, urging the need of a town clock, and pledged his next wedding fee to start a fund for one. The Club had speakers from U. C. during

the year on Home Floriculture, Sanitation, Diatetics, Art and Physiology.

In June a Garden Pary, afternoon and evening, in Mrs. Duhring's grounds, with clam chowder supper, netted $122.00, a most gratifying sum. At this time, by the donation of 50¢ each from four members, the Club House Fund totaled $1000.00. Plans by Brainard Jones, of Petaluma, were shown and closely examined. A Rummage sale was held in August with the net proceeds $18.15.

1916

On January 1st, 1916, the Club women served the Ball supper for the dance given by the Sonoma Valley Band, clearing $60.50 for the Club House Fund. The results of the election in March 1916, saw the following ladies in office; President, Dora Stofen, re-elected; vice-president, Amelia Bates; recording secretary, Carrie Burlingame; corresponding secretary, Lulu Emparan; Trustees, D. Stofen, A. Bates, C. Lowell, Leanora Duhring, Marie Clewe. The first real business of the year was the negotation of a loan from the Native Sons for $2500.00 at 6%, to be secured by a mortgage on the Club House, to build which, the money was borrowed. The Trustees, and Club having agreed upon a suitable plan, the building contract was let to A. E. Warriner, local contractor, for $3885.65 and in April work began.

In the meantime an opportunity to secure a good piano was financed by Mrs. Clara Lowell loaning $150.00 without interest. Thirty dollars was donated by different members to pay the total, $171.50. Mrs. Appleton loaned $100.00 also without interest to purchase chairs for the Club House, when it was finished. A program or Pageantry aroused such enthusiasm that Mrs. Burlingame suggested that the Club hold a Shakespear Pageant and May Festival on April 29th, May Day falling on Sunday. The Shakespear Pageant idea was on account of it's being

Shakespear's tercentenary, and it was being celebrated all over the English speaking world. The thought was taken up vigorously. Mrs. Burlingame made chairman in general. All the grammar schools in the valley took part in the morning - where a High School girl graduate was crowned " Queen of the May " and a splendid programme of May pole and folk dances given - an arena had been built at the High School grounds. In the afternoon a Shakespear Pageant with thirty five characters was given at the same site, with excerpts from Midsummer's Night Dream, Macbeth, The Tempest, Hamlet, and Merchant of Venice. Beautiful costumes were secured from San Francisco. The Pageant was repeated in the evening at Union Hall, with a ball following - $168.00 was cleared. When the Club House was an assured fact, as a move of economy, it was decided to give up the Club Parlors at Shocken's, thereby saving $5.00 per month. The meetings were held all Summer, by invitation, at the homes of different members, with large attendance. During this summer several card parties were given at homes of members. $710.70 was the total realized during the year from many different benefits.

The first meeting in the new Club House was the Social meeting for Sept. 15th. A letter of congratulation was read from William Von Hacht, Mayor of Sonoma. On Sept. 22nd a reception was held in the Club House, as a " House Warming "- to which the public was invited, and responded graciously. A very large crowd was present. A private reception was tendered Martha Stearns, " Club Mother ", in the Club parlor on the 4th of Sept. The club members attended almost 100%. The Trustees decided to secure a Supervisor to take entire charge of the Club House - hiring janitor, collecting rents, etc. The sum of two dollars per month was paid. Carrie Burlingame undertook this work for nine years. A concert by Mr. Pomroy, Mrs. Hunter's brother-in-law, raised enough money to lay the concrete walk from sidewalk to front door.

$24.00 was cleared at the first Ball given by the Club in their own hall. A Doll Show and dance in Dec. netted $35.00. The initiation fee was raised to $1.00 in Dec. also. Reports of rents received added

very materially to the Club's finances, $90.00 being the first anual report from the Supervisor. Card parties too being held each month were bringing in very good returns.

Begin Here — 1917.

At the election in Mar. 1917 Mrs. Dora Stofen was re-elected President. Vice Pres., Amelia Bates; Treas., Alice Wagnon; Rec'd Secty., Carrie Burlingame; Cor. Secty., Lulu Emparan; Trustees, three to elect, Clara J. Lowell, Pauline Hayes, Emma Watt. Chairmen of Sections: Civics, Perle Hunter; Music, Celia Murphy; Domestic Science, Hermina Hatton. It was decided at this time to save all rents received in a permanent fund to pay off the mortgage. The Black Point Bridge was opened in April and a big celebration held in Sonoma. The Club secured the serving of a dinner for 100 guests two days in succession - the citizens Com. on Arrangements to pay $150.00. Carrie Burlingame took charge. Different groups of ladies brought the necessary tables, dishes, napery and flowers - each to serve 12 persons. A splendid chicken dinner in courses, was served, to the satisfaction of all. $ 140.00 was cleared. The United States going into the world war in April, all members became interested in Red Cross work. The Club House was donated for several preliminary meetings, for organization of the Red Cross. In June our first Past President passed to the great beyond, and the Club adjourned in respect to the memory of Mrs. Marie Clewe. Mrs. Stofen resigned as President in Sept., and Amelia Bates, vice pres., carried on the work. Monthly card parties were continued, with good financial results. In Dec. 400 lbs. of good clothing was forwarded for Belgian relief. The drives for Liberty Bonds came in for direct aid from Club workers. Barley flour samples were made into biscuits and served at a Social day in the effort to further food economy. A demonstrator cooked meat substitutes at the club on Jan. 7th, 8th and 9th. Two percentage benefits for the Club given at the Don Theatre under the management of Mrs. Celia Murphy cleared over $80.00.

1918

In March 1918 the elections were as follows: President, Mrs. Amelia Bates; Vice Pres., Hannah Appleton; Treasurer, Alice Wagnon; Rec'd Secty, Carrie Burlingame; Trustees, Leanora Duhring, Clara Lowell, Emma Hotz; Civics, Perle Hunter; Music, Celia Murphy; History & Landmarks, Minnie Cooke; Home Economics, Olga Campbell. In April $100.00 was paid on the mortgage, which was very gratifying, in view of the fact of the war.

The sum of $41.50 was collected from members by voluntary subscription and sent to the War Victory Commission of the General Federation of Woman's Clubs. This money was used to provide entertainment for the boys " Over Seas ". The Club voted $10.00 out of the Gen. fund to the Red Cross drive. A collection of cash for Belgian Relief was $32.00 - this was through the efforts of Mrs. Duhring. The custom of ringing a Noon Prayer Bell in the city Hall and all the churches was brought about through the efforts of the Club. A Service Flag was also made- with the stars representing the number of Sonoma's boys at the front. This flag is now in the Mission Museum. A motion was carried that " each lady bring sugar for her tea " to the social meetings. This in conformity to food economy.

A Membership drive was decided upon in Aug. Two captains were chosen - Mrs. Emparan," Red ", and Mrs. Wicker, " Blue "- the names of all members divided by lot to the two sides - all to assist in securing new members. The report was to be made at the Club Birthday in Sept. 46 new names were added to theeroll - Mrs. Emparan's side secured 38 and Mrs. Wicker's 8.

A Xmas tree, with real gifts for the Club was inaugurated at the Dec. Social meeting. $45.00 was contributed. The custom has been continued ever since.

52 glasses of jelly were sent to Letterman Hospital.

1919.

In January $100.00 was paid on the mortgage. Atthe election of

officers - March 1919 - President, Lulu Emparan; Vice pres., Perle Hunter; Rec'd Secty., Carrie Burlingame; Cor. Secty., Maud Studley; Treasurer, Alice Wagnon. Trustees: Pauline Hayes, Emma Watt. On Feb. 22nd a Welcome Home and Complimentary Supper was given to returned veterans A.E.F. in the Club Parlors. It was an elaborate affair. A dance for the public was held in the evening, with a very large crowd. $105.00 was cleared, and another $100.00 paid on the mortgage.

In March, Mrs. Martha T. Stearns, " Club Mother ", passed away. With deep expressions of respect the Club ordered resolutions drawn and framed to hang in the Club Parlor, commemorating her service and profound influence upon the morals of the Club.

A Baby Clinic was held at the Club in May - 87 babies were examined.

The sale of cake for .10 per capita was taken up at the Social meetings for funds to purchase a flag and flag pole. In June, in response to a request from the Glen Ellen's Woman's Club, a comittee furnished a booth at a Benefit they were giving for their Club House. $102.00 was made and turned over to them. This month our Treasurer, Alice Wagnon, passed away - the only officer whose death has occurred while in active duty. Fitting floral tribute was taken to the funeral by the other acting officers. Mrs. Ella Woodworth was appointed to act as Treasurer, and has held the office ever since, over twelve years.

The Civic chairman urged members to work with the City Trustees to secure a better road to the Cemetary.

The second largest affair ever given by the Club was undertaken in the fall. A street Carnival and County fair was held in 1st St. East, which, by permission of the City Trustees was closed off during the four days. Money was raised by subscriptions from public spirited citizens to pay for cash prizes on Agricultural exhibits - which were shown in an immense tent erected on the lot south of the Club House, while a marvelous display of handicraft and needlework filled the Club House to

over flowing. Booths under the following names lured the pennies from the public; Hot dog stand, Country store, House of Mystery, Try your luck, Christmas Tree, Candy Booth, Delicatessen, Ice cream and Punch, also gate receipts and a Grand Ball added good sums to the total receipts, which were $1068.00 cleared. A payment of $1000.00 was made on the mortgage at once.

A lecture given by "The Birdman" Charles B. Hutchins in October netted the Club $38.50.

In December a concert given by Mr. Sokolay on the 50% basis netted $24.00.

The use of the Club House was given to the Library Committee for a Card Party.

1920

The Officers for 1920 were nearly all re-elected. President, Mrs. Lulu Emparan; vice-president, Perle Hunter; recording secretary, Carrie Burlingame; corresponding secretary, Maud Studley; treasurer, Ella Woodworth; Trustees, Leanora Duhring, Clara Lowell, Emma Hotz, Pauline Hays, Emma Watt; Chairmen, Civics, Celia G. Murphy; Home Ec Economics, Olga Campbell. The big event of the year was the final success, after constant effort of Mrs. Kate Hill and Mrs. Dora Stofen, of the restoration of the old bell to the Mission Church. The Gover-or of the State came, an elaborate luncheon was served in Union Hall, and the Bell, of 1829 hanging on a frame made of original timbers from the old Mission was presented to the State with fitting exercises on June 5th.

On or near Flag Day, the Club also raised it's own flag for the first time.

Modern fire equipment being badly needed by the town, the Club joined with the citizens in it's Fourth of July celebration to raise funds for this purpose. $827.00 the total cleared, over half of it

being through meals served etc., by the Club. A food sale was also held at Boyes Springs for the Fire Engine Fund which cleared $40.00.

A Garden Party in Mrs. Denny's grounds in the fall, cleared $86.00 and a Dance at Boyes Springs Theater $58.00. The flag and pole having been secured, the silver collection was continued for the purchase of much needed flat ware. $20.00 was given to the Alice Fredericks Memorial Fund of the C. F. W. C. and the sum of $2.50, a special collection at Christmas, was sent to the War Children's Relief Fund. $100.00 was paid on the mortgage.

1921

The election in March resulted as follows; President, Perle Hunter; vice-president, Miss Meta Stofen; recording secretary, Carrie Burlingame; corresponding secretary, Maud Stein; treasurer, Ella Woodworth; Trustees, Dora Stofen, Clara Lowell, Bertha Wicker, Pauline Hays, Florence Adler. Chairmen, Civics, Lulu Emparan; Music, Celia G. Murphy. A call for help from starving Europe, the aftermath of the war, met with the usual warm hearted response from the Club, and a benefit at the Don Theater netted $104.00.

A new High School being much needed, the Club endorsed a movement for a bond issue. We also lent the building for several meetings to aid this cause.

The Business Men's Association having taken up work in the Plaza, a card party which raised $38.00 was given and the money turned over to them.

A bench was ordered built from timbers taken from the old Cooper's Bridge, at the Club's expense, and placed in the entrance to the Mission, a bronze plate was later added to this bench.

The County Federation was entertained in October and $44.00 was used with much satisfaction from the Silver Fund to purchase knives, forks and spoons, of good 25 year guaranteed plate.

The work of selling Red Cross Seals for prevention of tuberculosis was undertaken earnestly by the Club at Christmas time, and a permanent fund, administered by the Club for local relief founded. The Club received 50% of the money raised for it's own fund. An annual Christmas tree for the benefit of the Club was inaugurated at the December Social meeting, and many articles we needed were presented, such as cards, card table covers, dish towels etc. During the winter months, Card Parties were held regularly once a month.

1922
During the last ten years
The membership roll ~~is~~ shows the following names: Mesdames Florence Adler, Hannah Appleton, Amelia Bates, Zoe Bates, Amelia Anderson, Ruth Bean, Misses Bertha Aguillon, Anna Burt, Mesdames Maud Bose, Carrie Burlingame, J. Barber, C. Boyd, Kate Buchan, Kate Bancroft, Hattie Breitenbach, Miss Mildred Burchard, Mesdames Bell Clements, Mattie Campbell, Olga Campbell, A. Carlson, G. Cassiday, Marie Chase, Harriet Clewe, Florence T. Cutter, Florence M. Cutter, Mary Carter, W. Clements, Elizabeth Crane, B. Cole, Elizabeth Colguohoun, Alsy Converse, E. Casson, Catherine Carlson, Rena Carlson, Misses Doris Clewe, Minnie Cooke, Janette Cooper, Edna Cooper, Edith Cascarden, Mesdames E. De Place, Rose Donahue, Rose Dresel, Leanora Duhring, Hannah Dobbel, Evangeline Dodge, Neil Dodge, Agnes Denny, Lulu Emparan, W. Erickson, Irene Castagnasso, Miss Amy Engler, Mesdames E. J. Franquelin, Leanora Fochetti, G. Fiscus, Elsie Cottenberg, Mildred Colton, Belle Green, Miss M. Goodman, Mesdames Pauline Hays, Kate Hill, Emma Hotz, Hermina Hatton, Perle Hunter, Henry Hyde, Fred Helberg Sr., Ida Hotz, Clara Johnson, Carrie Jensen, Miss Edna Jensen, Mesdames Margaret Keiser, Helen Koerner, Alma Koeboom, Lavona Lowell, Z. Lane, Clara J. Lowell, Sophie Lowell, Lizzie Lutgens, Helen LeFurzy, Janet Lavaroni, Anita Leiser, F. L. Lambert, Katherine Moskowitz, Emma Michellsen, Anita Murray, Celia C. Murphy, Louisa McElroy, A. Moebes,

Molly Mosso, Georgia Munfrey, John Martin, Misses Lillie Moskowitz, Ruth Maxwell, Nettie McChonichie, Florence Murphy, Grace McGinsey, Mesdames G. Ordahl, Rose Paramore, Alice Picetti, Rose Pinelli, Mary Poulson, Annie Poppe, Mattie Poppe, Charles Potter, Jesse Prestwood, Miss Emily Poppe, Adelheid Reinsch, Florence Rolfe, Mesdames R. H. Ring, Florence Robin, F. Rovai, Kate Rochat, Maud Stein, Mabel Simmons, Emma Small, Fred Schell, D. Stonier, Dora Stofen, Maud Studley, Mary Studley, Adelaide Savacool, Georgia Stickel, Miss Meta Stofen, Mesdames Mamie Tate, Anita Thomson, Rose Vella, Charles Van Damme, Sarah Whiting, H. Waltz, Ella Woodworth, Bertha Wicker, Emma Watt, Misses Shirley Ward, Bertha Warthorst, Alice Young.

The following were the officers for 1922; President, Perle Hunter; vice-president, Meta Stofen; recording secretary, Carrie Burlingame; corresponding secretary, Harriet Clewe; treasurer, Ella Woodworth; Trustees, Clara Lowell, Pauline Hays, Bertha Wicker, Florence Adler, Mamie Tate. Chairmen; Civics, Lulu Emparan; Music, Celia Murphy. $100.00 was paid on the mortgage as the first act of the year, and $25.00 was paid toward helping support the Mission. A Special drive to raise money for the mortgage was put in in summer. Ten members consented to act as Captains, and each asked ten members to donate $5.00 for this purpose. The names were drawn by lot. This drive resulted in $404.50, and $400.00 was paid on the mortgage. "America the Beautiful" was adopted as the Club song, and Celia G. Murphy graciously contributed 100 copies printed on heavy cards. In November the Club sent a good program to Petaluma, as a Reciprocity offering.

1923

The officers elected in March 1923 were as follows: President, Perle Hunter; vice-president, Emma Watt; recording secretary, Carrie Burlingame; corresponding secretary, Harriet Clewe; treasurer Ella Woodworth. Trustees, Clara Lowell, Bertha Wicker, Mamie Tate, Florence Adler, Anita Leiser. Chairmen; Civics, Olive Nieman,; Music, Celia G. Murphy.

In March the Club mourned the loss of it's Second past-president in the death of Dora Stofen. She had held the office for five full terms.

A life membership in the S. F. Womans Building Association was presented to the Club by Leanora S. Duhring. This certificate makes the acting President of our Club always a member of this Association, and entitled to full membership priviledges during her term. This being the Centenial year for our Mission, a gigantic celebration and Mission Play were planned by the Community. Club women devoted most of their time and effort to the common cause, reducing Club activities to a minimum. However, a very successful Card Party, in Pioneer Costume was given for the Centenial Fund, and Mission Play. $56.00 was the sum donated. In September a disastrous forest fire having caused loss to many local families, a Fire Relief Fund was raised, largely by subscription, and one card party given. The total amount raised and disbursed was $232.00. During the winter months card parties were held monthly.

1924

In March 1924, the following were the Club officers: President, Emma Watt; vice-president, Anita Leiser; recording secretary, Carrie Burlingame; corresponding secretary, Harriet Clewe; treasurer, Ella Woodworth; Trustees; Clara Lowell, Bertha Wicker, Emma Hotz, Florence Adler, Mamie Tate. Chairman of Civics, Amelia Bates; Music, Emily Poppe Grinstead; History and Landmarks, Celia G. Murphy.

The Bicentenial G. F. W. C. being on in San Francisco, the Club voted $25.00 toward it's Hospitality Fund. In the Fall, the County Federation presented an elaborate Redwood Pageant at Armstrong Woods and this Club was asked to assume all responsibility for the "Early California Episode." This was done most successfully, over thirty persons taking part, and all costumes and transportation taken care of

by our Club at some cost. A complimentary supper to the many who took part was tendered at the Club House later.

Thirty parcels of jelly, post cards, games etc., were sent to Letterman Hospital at Christmas for the War Veterans. Card Parties were continued each month during the winter with good financial returns.

1925

At the election in March 1925, the following were elected to office; President, Anita Leiser; vice-president, Mamie Tate; recording secretary, Carrie Burlingame; Corresponding secretary, Harriet Clewe,; treasurer, Ella Woodworth. Trustees: Clara Lowell, Sophie Lowell, Bertha Wicker, Emma Hotz, Florence Adler. Chairmen of Sections: Civics, Amelia Bates; Music, Emily Grinstead; History and Landmarks, Celia G. Murphy.

In the usual public spirited manner, the Club solicited and served the refreshments at the Firemen's Benefit Ball. $47.00 was cleared and turned over to the Firemen.

The Club was hostess to the County Federation in M ay and to assist in the hospitality to the District meeting being held in Petaluma, prepared 25 elaborate box lunches and delivered them at ArmstrongGrove for a picnic lunch for the visitors. The Club building was much improved by splendid new indirect lights in the auditorium. The walls were all tinted also.

The biggest undertaking of the year was the participation in the "Home Beautiful Week." A new home was borrowed, the different merchants were induced to furnish it in every detail in the most up-to-date and attractive manner. Club members kept it open day and evening. Over 100 persons inspected the building.

In the Fall the Club furnished a full program for the Petaluma Woman's Club, this in return for a similar courtesy from them, previous-

ly extended. Seven card parties were held in the evenings.

1926

In March 1926 the President, Emily Grinstead; vice-preside nt, Alice Picetti; recording secretary, Carrie Burlingame; corresponding secretary, Harriet Clewe; treasurer, Ella Woodworth; Trustees: Clara Lowell, Sophie Lowell, Bertha Wicker, Florence Adler, Mamie Tate. Chairman of Civics, Perle Hunter; Music, Ida Hotz; History and Landmarks, Celia G. Murphy.

A contribution of $25.00 was made to the Vallejo Memorial Scholarship Fund, started by the County Federation to loan to needy girls desiring higher education.

A Committee was appointed to attend to the distribution of the Public Health Fund, realized through the yearly sale of Red Cross Seals, over $200.00 being on hand. Milk and eggs were purchased for undernourished children where deemed necessary. The Club appointed sponsers from it's members, to organize Camp Fire Circles and the building was loaned for a Card Party for the Camp Fire Girls. Ida Hotz presented an exceptionally fine musical program to which the public was invited as participation in "Music Week."

Another past president, Amelia Bates, one of the Clubs most devoted workers since it's founding was called to rest in the Fall. Her loss was sincerely mourned by all.

A Card Party for ladies, held in the afternoon in June was a Social as well as a financial success. $100.00 was cleared. The 25th Birthday was celebrated by a fancy dress "Jinks." It proved an especially festive occasion. The members were seated at tables and a handsome birthday cake was placed on the officers table. The monthly card parties were continued, seven being held.

1927

The officers for the year beginning March 1927 were: President,

Alice Picetti; vice-president, Gladys Dodge; recording Secretary, Carrie Burlingame; corresponding secretary, Harriet Clewe; treasurer, Ella Woodworth. Trustees, Clara Lowell, Sophie Lowell, Anita Leiser, Theda Borie, Estelle Merz. Chairman of Music, Emily Grinstead; History and Landmarks, Celia G. Murphy. The music chairman put on a fine program again during "Music Week." A drama, "The Greater American" was put on by professional talent, with a large local cast assisting, on per-centage basis. The Club received 40% of the profit and $98.00 was realized. The mortgage was so small, that it was determined to put on a drive for $2.50 per member, and so be able to cancel the debt. This was so successful that the final $200.00 was paid on the mortgage, and it was burned in effigy at the Birthday Party in September 1927 amid much rejoicing.

A "Kiddie Review" put on by members of the dancing class which had been holding it's classes in the Club building, realized $75.00. The usual evening card parties were continued.

1928

In March 1928, the following were elected to foffice: President, Emily Grinstead; vice-president, Helen Hopkins; recording secretary, Carrie Burlingame; corresponding secretary, Harriet Clewe; treasurer, Ella Woodworth. Trustees: Clara Lowell, Bertha Wicker, Theda Borie, Florence T. Cutter, Estelle Merz. Chairman of Civics, Hermina Hatton; Music, Mrs. Garrison; History and Landmarks, Celia G. Murphy. In the Spring the Kiwanis Club cleaned up the Plaza and the Club women served a dainty luncheon.

A good light was secured for the street in front of the Club House, after years of steady importuning by the leader of the Civics section and others. Fifty more good folding chairs were purchased for the Club House.

A Spring Luncheon was held at Sonoma Mission Inn as one of the

social meetings. It proved a great success. The monthly card parties were discontinued and efforts were centered on one big afternoon affair in January. $63.00 was earned.

1929

In March 1929, the officers were as follows: President, Margaret J. Cowgill; vice-president, Ethel Hopkins; recording secretary, Carrie Burlingame; corresponding secretary, Harriet Clewe; treasurer, Ella Woodworth. Trustees: Clara Lowell, Bertha Wicker, Estelle Merz, Alice Picetti, Rose Jones. Chairmen: Civics, Ruth Bean; Music, Emily Grinstead; History and Landmarks, Celia C. Murphy. The Club was entertained by the Spring Hill Club, near Sebastopol in the Summer. Eighteen members made the pilgrimage.

A Spring Luncheon at $1.00 per plate was again a feature at the Mission Inn.

For the first time it was deemed necessary to take out indemnity insurance for help employed at the Club building.

A donation of $2.50 was sent to the County Federation to assist in paying for a plaque placed on a tree dedicated to Lizzie Armstrong Jones, in Armstrong Woods. We also donated $10.00 to the Fire department. A Garden Section was formed to meet on the second Fridays. It met with very hearty support, many of the Club women being garden enthusiasts.

A particularly good affair was the Women's Minstrel Show given at the time of the Club Birthday this year.

1930

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Garrison; History and Landmarks, Celia C. Murphy; Garden, Mary Haywards. A Fashion Show and Tea was held one afternoon in Spring, with admission of 25¢ charged. This was a great success. $41.55 was cleared. Another big afternoon Card Party in October cleared $89.50. The County Federation was entertained in May. An amendment to the Constitution raised the dues to $3.00 per year. Gas having been brought to Sonoma, complete heating and cooking equipment was installed in the building at the cost of about $200.00. $137.00 was raised on a note with a local bank.

The City Trustees asked the Club to assume the beautification of a certain portion of the Plaza, immediately surrounding the Library, carrying it out according to blue prints and plans arranged by a landscape architect. The Civic Chairman, Lillian Burris undertook this work, raising a considerable sum by subscription, also giving a couple of big Card Parties at the Golf Club House. Over $300.00 has been expended on this work up to date, and it is still being carried on. The Club was asked to save tinfoil for the Crippled Children's Guild of San Francisco. Emma Hotz consented to act as chairman of this work and a large quantity was collected and sent in.

In December a living Christmas Tree was planted in front of the Club House. It was dedicated to the "Founders of the Club" in an eloquent address by past President Mrs. Robert Potter Hill. Another $10.00 was donated to the Vallejo Scholarship Fund. A BBurbank Tea" was given to aid in the purchase of the Burbank Home at Santa Rosa for an historic Shrine. $10.00 was raised and donated.

At the end of thirty years the following, who were charter members, appear on the roll: Mesdames Leanora Duhring, Lulu Emparan, Elsie Gottenberg, Emma Hotz, Kate Hill, Clara Johnson, Rose Pinelli, Celia Murphy nee Granice, Doris Shetler nee Clewe, Pauline McMullin Hays and Miss Mattie Goodman.

And the names of the following women appeared as members during the last ten years: Mesdames: Florence Adler, Amanda Anderson, Hannah Appleton, C. Bacigalupi, Grace Barr, Rose Bartoli, Amelia Bates, Zoe Bates, Ruth Bean, J. Bolin, A. J. Borie, Frances Borie, Evelyn Bosserman, E. A. Boye, Hattie Breitenbach, Kate Buchan, Carrie Burlingame, H. Burmeister, Lillian Burris, Lyle Campbell, Mattie Campbell, Olga Campbell, Frank Canevari, Christina Carlson, Rena Carlson, Mary Carter, Irene Castagnasso, Maud Champlin, Marie Chase, Agnes Claus, Nell Clement, Harriet Clewe, C. C. Cline, M. J. Cowgill, Elizabeth Crane, E. M. Cunning, Florence Cutter, Eva Davidson, Agnes Denny, E. DePlace, (Honorary), F. Dobbel, Gladys Dodge, Rose Donohue, Maud Downey, Otto Dresel, Rose Dresel, Leonora Duhring, F. Eberhardt, Lulu Emparan, R. R. Emparan, J. E. Enman, Carl Evert, E. J. Finnerty, Alma Fiscus, M. J. Fish, Leonora Fochetti, Francis Fraher, M. L. Franquelin, E. Gardner, Alice Garrison, Mildred Golton, Elsie Gottenberg, Ray Gottenberg, Isabel Green, Emelie Grinstead, Hermina Hatton, Pauline Hays, Mary J. Hayward, Fred Helberg, Kate D. Hill, A. Hillstrom, John W. Hopkins, Emma Hotz, Ida Hotz, Inez Hunt, Perle Hunter, Genevieve Hyde, Carrie Jensen, Clara Johnson, Rose Jones, D. Kaplin, Adele Kiessling, Margaret Kiser, Alma Koeboom, H. Koerner, F. Lambert, Elizabeth Lane, James Lawrence, Helen Lefurgey, Anita Leiser, Dorothy Linehan, Ethel Lourdeau, Clara J. Lowell, Lavona Lowell, Sophie Lowell, A. Luchsinger, Elizabeth Lutgens, Cora Maffei, J. Ross Martin, Emma McDonald, Louisa McElroy, A. K. McGrath, Estelle Merz, Emma Michelsen, A. Morton, A. Mosso, Georgia Munfrey, Celia Murphy, Anita Murray, Olive Niemann, Alice Norrbom, Katherine Noyes, L. Ordahl, Eva Peck, E. C. Perkins, E. Peterson, Alice Picetti, Rose Pinelli, Anna Poppe, Catherine Poppe, (Honorary), C. Potter, Mary Poulson, J. Prestwood, George Reedy, Aggie Riecke, Florence Robin, Louisa Rochat, Harriet Rubke, Elizabeth Ryan, Jessie Ryan, W. Sanford, A. Savacool, Margaret Schell, Virginia Rubke, Margaret Smith,

S. Schocken (Honorary), C. Shortridge, Jayne Shortridge, Mabel Simmons, Emma Small, A. C. Steiger, Maud Stein, Georgia Stickel, Dora Stofen, George Streiff, M. Stuermer, Dorothy Suave, Mary Tate, Anita Thomson, Lillie Van Damme, Rose Vella, Florence Wagnon, E. Wardle, Emma Watt, F. Wedekind, S. Whiting, Bertha Wicker, Ella Woodworth, H. E. Wyatt, George Wyllie, Alice Young. Misses: Bertha Aguillon, Agnes Arnot, Mildred Burchard, Anna Burt, Edith Carscadden, Marian Chester, Zolita Clerici, Doris Clewe, Minnie Cooke, Edna Cooper, Janet Cooper, Harriet Dutton, Mattie Goodman, Edna Jensen, Nettie Mc Conochie, Ruth Mc Donald, Kate McDonell, Grace McGimsey, Florence Murphy, Adelheid Reinsch, Florence Rolfe, Meta Stofen, Bertha Warthorst, and Alice Young.

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History
1901 – 1931

Club History - by Carrie A. Burlingame
Mar 1931 to May 1935 -

Mar/1931 President, Mrs M. J. Cowgill. Vice Pres. Mrs Boyce. Rec'd Secty Carrie Burlingame, Cor Secty. Harriett Clowe, Trs. Mrs Ella Woodworth. 3 Trustees. Mrs Mary Hayward, Mrs Kate Hill, & Mrs Rose Jones. Sections - History & Lit Marks. Mrs Celia G. Murphy, Civics: Mrs Lillian Burris, Garden: Mrs Mary Haywards, Music: Mrs Garrison.
A very successful Fashion Show was held in Mar. On the social day - Mrs Sales of Petaluma, gave a travel talk on Hawaii, and in May, Mrs Glenn Murdock of Santa Rosa gave a Travelogue on her recent trip to Europe. A Card Party, held at the Golf Club by the Civic chairman Mrs Burris, realized $175.00, to be used in permanently landscaping the ground immediately around the Library, this being assumed by the Club, for two years. In Sept, Dr Fred Butler, Supt of Sonoma State Home at Eldridge, gave a talk on Mental Deficiency. Mrs Carrie Burlingame, who had served as Recording Secty for eighteen consecutive years, resigned, on account of taking an extended trip to the East. Mrs Emma Platt was appointed to fill this vacancy. On Sept 18th, the Club Birthday the Club Birthday was celebrated in the evening. A delightful musical prog. was supplied by local talent. The Pres. Mrs Cowgill, presented a beautiful table and two chairs to the Club in Nov. Xmas Seals were handled by the Club in Dec.

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In Jan. Mrs McGrath's mother, Mrs Waterhouse toed of her recent trip to Europe with the "Gold Star" Mothers. The Garden Section held well attended meetings at the homes of members through the year. It also took charge of the Feb social meeting, having Mrs Sohler of Healdsburg as speaker. She gave an intresting talk on gardens she saw abroad.

Mar 1932 Officers – Pres. Mrs M. J. Cowgill – 1st Pres. Mrs Page, Rec. Secty. Mrs Emma Watt, Cor Secty, Mrs Harriet Clever, Treasurer Mrs Ella Woodworth – 2 Directors, Mrs Hays & Mrs C. J. Lovell. Civics – Mrs Burris, History & Libraries Mrs C. G. Murphy, Gardens, Mrs Simmons, Music – Mrs Finnerty. The Gardens Section planted shrubs around the Club in Feb – also held a most successful Flower Show. At the May social meeting, a beautiful silver birch tree was planted in front of the Club and dedicated to Geo. Washington – this being the bicentennial year of his birth. A splendid picture of Geo Washington was presented by Mrs Murphy, and framed by Mr & Mrs Clever. $10.00 was paid toward the Valley's Memorial Fund. The May meeting of the County Federation was held in the Club House. Another Card Party at the Golf Club netted $102.10 for the Plaza planting fund. In Oct, Mrs Jenkins of Santa Rosa spoke on "Our Youth" – In Nov a splendid paper on "California Pioneers" by Mrs Arthur Foster, curator of Society of Calif Pioneers. A committee having compiled the Clubs history for the first thirty years – three copies were typed, and one sent to the Club Historian of the County Federation. A farewell reception was tendered Mrs Louisa Vallejo Emparan upon the eve of her departure for a round trip voyage as a guest of honor of the Grace Steamship Line, on the Str Santa Rosa.

1932 The Dec. programme was a Xmas Play given by children drilled by Mrs McGrath. The Jan prog. was a most interesting talk on Jack London, by Mrs Kate Hill, a warm personal friend of Mr London. Xmas seals were handled by the Club, as usual. In Nov 1931 an evening Card Party at the Club House realized $66.88. During the year the Garden Section held regular monthly meetings at the members homes. on the 2nd Fridays

Mar 1933 Officers - Pres. Mrs C. C. Celine, Vice Pres Mrs Emma Kotz, Rec'd Secty, Mrs Emma Walt, Cor. Secty. Mrs Hamlett Clerk, Treas. Mrs Woodworth. 3 Trustees, Mrs Kate Hill, Mrs Hillebrun, & Mrs Jas. Gottenberg. Civics. Mrs Valentine History & Landmarks. Mrs C. G. Murphy. Garden. Mrs Simmons. Music. Mrs E. J. Finnerty, Drama. Mrs A. K. McGrath. Mrs Woodworth asked to be relieved from the office of Treas, which she had held for twelve years. and Mrs Verona Howell was elected in her place. The work in the Plaza, which had been in Mrs Burris hands was reported finished and turned over to the city The Garden Section put on the prog in April. Dr Burnett, of Santa Rosa speaking on "Wild Flowers in our Gardens" - Another very successful Flower Show was held in April. by the Garden Section. They also purchased a number of boxes & boards, which were donated to the Club. The May prog was a talk on the South Sea Islands, by Rev. Montgomery, and in June Dr Thorne spoke on County Tuburcular Hospitilization. At the Club Birthday in Sept, Club History was reviewed by old timers, eleven charter members being present. The final payment was made on the note borrowed from the American Trust Bank - to put in the gas equipment. In Oct. Miss Edna Cooper gave a talk on her recent trip to Chicago - the Century of Progress Fair - and other points East. The Garden Section took over entire care of the grounds around the Club House.

1933-34 Donations of $5.00 each were made to the Boy Scouts and the Childrens Community Xmas Tree. The Dec prog was a childrens drama, under the direction of Mrs McGrath. Xmas teals were again handled by the Club. In Dec. a Card Party at the Club House realized $8.60 The Jan social meeting was under the auspices of the Sonoma County Pen women. different members giving readings from their own works. Mrs Pentland, State Chairman, Business, Law and Insurance, spoke to the Club at the Feb meeting. One ammendment was made to the constitution during the year, making five members a quorum. * The Garden Section held its regular monthy meetings, as usual.

* It was also ~~moved and~~ decided that the officers ~~now~~ incumbent would be held over, pending ammendments to the Constitution.

1934 In Mar it was decided to thoroughly renovate the Club House. Mrs Burris, Chairman Ways & Means Com. undertaking to see that the necessary money be raised. The American Trust Bank lent the necessary sum, $700.00, on a note - to make immediate payments on the work. The floors were sanded, all wood work redone - some new light fixtures installed, and beautiful velvet curtains hung on the stage, also handsome draperies throughout the building. While the work was going on - the Club met in the homes of the

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following ladies. Miss Solita Bates, Mrs Emma Holz - Mrs F. M. Burris and Mrs Bertha Wicker. *
The State Federation meeting being held in Santa Rosa, in May, the club paid its tax of .25 per capita to assist in the entertainment. The chairman of History & Landmarks, Mrs C. E. Murphy ~~&c~~ arranged a pilgrimage of the state guests to historic Sonoma as well as a wonderful programme to entertain them after their luncheon at the Mission Inn.
At the May social meeting - Mr E. Hunt gave an interesting talk on rugs, draperies, and other in decoration. At the April meeting - Miss Louise Tabor of San Francisco, well known broadcaster, spoke of Early "San Francisco Days"
In May, Mrs Paul Macleod gave some high lights on her recent trip to Europe. The June Social meeting was in honor of Past Presidents. A mixed bag was enjoyed with reminisces by the guests of honor. A burpit show at Sebastiani Theatre "A night in Italy" realized $47.45 On July 4th a "Tag Day" was held to raise funds toward erecting a monument to Gen. Vallejo in the Plaza - a project taken up by the San Francisco District, & the Native Sons and Daughters. Over $100.00 was raised by this means. The Garden section had an afternoon Card Party in July, to raise funds for the care of the grounds.
The Club birthday was celebrated by a

* An intensive series of Card Parties was held in private homes during the month of April - realizing over $80.00 for the improvements.

1934 delicious luncheon, served in the Club House, by the Congregational Ladies Aid. Mrs Emma Stokes, Dist Pres, and Mrs Engmann, County Pres, were guests of honor - About sixty members attended. In Oct the constitution was ammended, in order that our election and term of office would co-ordinate with Dist and state work. Election of officers to be in June, and term of office, two years. Mrs Duncan Robinson, a State Officer was the speaker for the Oct meeting, and Mrs Lewis Morrill, S.T. Dist Chairman of Gardens, was the Nov. speaker, under the auspices of the Garden section. A series of monthly card Parties were held during the fall and winter, to build up the improvement fund. In Dec $5.00, each was contributed the the Boy Scouts, and the Community Xmas Tree. The Dec programme was another childrens drama, drilled by Mrs McGrath. In January, it was decided to purchase a new piano. A baby Grand was secured, at the cost of $350.00 Another series of card parties in private homes in the course of two months - raised nearly $200.00 toward paying for ~~them~~ it. The improvements had previously been taken care of on the $500.00 note settled. The money for the piano was financed in the same manner. A wonderful Doll Show - in March, netted over 70.00 for the Piano fund.

The County Federation held its Feb meeting - in our Club House, with a record attendance. The Garden Section had a Daffodil Tea in Feb, with a good showing. Also held an Iris Tea in ~~April~~ early May. A talk on Americanization by Mrs Juliet Hays of Petaluma, County Chairman, was the Feb prog. and in Mar, a Reciprocity Day was enjoyed, the prog. being provided by the Petaluma and Sat Afternoon Clubs of Santa Rosa. The April Prog was supplied by the High School Orchestra and Choral Club. Four Card Parties were held during the winter months - and the debt on refurbishing the Club House cleared up. Mrs Hillstrum present the Club with a beautiful American Flag.

* A Fashion Show in March * brought in 73.50 for the piano fund Card Parties $81.50

1935 At the primary election in May - the following were elected to office. Pres. Mrs Deem Tennerty - Vice Pres. Mrs Jane Shortridge, Rec'd Secty. Mrs Emma Watt. Cor Secty - Miss Flor. Murphy. Tres. Mrs Lillian Burris. 3 Trustees. Mrs Hays. Mrs C. J. Lowell. & Mrs Tate. Civics. Mrs J. Valente, Drama. Mrs Gladys Dodge. Music. Mrs Grinstead, Garden. Mrs Burlingame. History & L'd marks. Mrs C. G. Murphy.

Quote from Club minutes - Feb. 1910 - A group of very young folks, about seven & eight years old, the children of Club members, among whom was Harold Holtz, Joe McMullin, & Zolita Bates, formed a Dramatic Club, called the Western Star Amateur Theatrical Company, put on a show to buy books for the Library, ~~put on a show~~ in an unoccupied building belonging to Mr Holtz. 8.00 was realized and accepted by the Club with much appreciation.

More about 1910 - later

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1909 Dora Stofen Pres.

~~Mrs Poppe~~ ~~president~~.

Club agitated getting a sewer system

The dues raised to $2.00

{ Plaza Day was held in June. tell
saved the city $700.00

Went to Santa Rosa Rose Festival tell
x Plaza Fund now 400.00. Pool built. x 1909
~~Round Pool built~~.

x Tell Rebuilding of Mission — $700.00

Placing of El Camino Bell I was
Chairman S.F. Dist at time

Moore in 1910

1912 Con.

Reception given in Union Hall to celebrate 10 years

(1912) In December, bought on lot $450.00
50.00 paid down.
Five Trustees were elected to manage the property
~~1912~~
In Sept. held Cal. Festival. Loan exhibit in Old Mission. Loudons trophies. A Flower Show in City Hall. I won. cut flower prize. I Put on "Yosemite Legends" in Union Hall in eve. Dancing followed.
~~[illegible]~~ 775 receipts. Cleared 320.00
Lauling. night watchman. etc
Put into Club House Fund.
Lots fully paid for end of year.

First Card Party given in Nov. Three more scheduled. Played 500.

Sums realized 24.50 - 11.25 - 25.00 - 15.50

1911

Mrs Stofer still Pres –

First talk of building a Club House.

Put a list of Spanish names for streets before Trustees

A philanthropic Section was started. At ~~two~~ years of age the funds as follows.

Plaza 1037.00 Mission 103.00
Forestry 1.55. Gen Fund 83.49

1912

Amelia Bates Pres.
History Landmarks ~~C. Burlingame~~
~~Pres had 5 Sections~~ –

We had 7 Sections, as follows
Civics, Education, Forestry,
His & Landmarks, Music.
Philanthropy, & Plaza.

Report success of Carnage Library
Club gave lunch in Plaza & Ball
& sold tags. $450.00

1912

Big affair to raise funds for ourselves – the Club House
Big Affair 1913
Called "Valley of the Moon Fiesta"

C.B chosen Queen by Ex Board. Caffattera, ~~Coronation~~. Parade and coronation at City Hall by Mr Woodworth my Mayor Domon

Grand Ball Union Hall – tell about Jay!! $322 Realized –

Efforts centred on Bldg Fund – Curb & gutter were put in Several Garden Parties at Private – Homes 1913 still president

~~End of Term~~ Red Cross

Belgian Relief 50.00

End of my term $600 in Bldg Fund.